

REGISTRATION IS OPEN
Tod Bolsinger in Dayton on August 23
A PMV Leadership Training Event



Tod Bolsinger, MDiv, PhD, will lead a presbytery-sponsored church leadership training event on August 23, 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM, at **Southminster Presbyterian Church**, 7001 Far Hills Avenue, Dayton.

He will offer four leadership training sessions during the day: *Leading in Uncharted Territory*, *Leading Adaptive Change*, *Thriving through Sabotage*, and *The Critical Relationships for Leading Through Change*.

Tod is the author of *Canoeing the Mountains*, *Tempered Resilience*, *It Takes a Church to Raise a Christian*, and *Show Time: Living Down Hypocrisy by Living Out the Faith*.

► More details and registration at tinyurl.com/PMVBolsinger

Peace and Global Witness Offering



Your gift to the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) **Peace and Global Witness Offering** enables the church to promote the Peace of Christ by addressing systems of conflict and injustice across the world.

Individual congregations are encouraged to utilize up to 25% of this offering to connect with the global witness of Christ's peace. Mid councils retain an additional 25% for ministries of peace

and reconciliation. The remaining 50% is used to support peacemaking, reconciliation, and global witness. The Offering is usually received on **World Communion Sunday**, this year on **October 5**.



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News & Information

Summer 2025

PMV Stated Clerk Lynn Bova is retiring

The Rev. **Lynn Bova** has announced her retirement as stated clerk of Presbytery of the Miami Valley, effective December 31, 2025. We are grateful for Lynn's service to our presbytery over the last five years and offer our prayers and best wishes to her and her husband, **Dennis**, as they enter this new season of their lives.

Lynn's retirement letter to presbytery



Grace and Peace,

The wisdom writer of Ecclesiastes tells us that "For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven." How true that is for all of us! After much prayerful consideration, I am walking into a new season of life. It is time for me to retire. I request that we dissolve my call to serve as

the Stated Clerk of the **Presbytery of the Miami Valley** on December 31, 2025. I will also be retiring from my position at **Honey Creek Presbyterian Church** at that same time.

My tentative timeline is that I will save all my vacation and be done in the office at the end of November. This has not been an easy decision, but I do feel it is time. "There is a time to plant and a time to pluck what has been planted."

I have loved serving the church over the years in a variety of positions and I will miss the people most of all. It has been an honor and a privilege to serve as the Stated Clerk for the last five years. I appreciate all the support, encouragement and collegiality that you have offered me...

► Read Lynn's full letter at tinyurl.com/lynnRetires

The Colombia Partnership Memory Book

The network will celebrate 30 years in 2026!

COLOMBIA PARTNERSHIP NETWORK

UPCOMING EVENTS!

HELP US TELL THE STORY!

EVERYONE WHO HAS VISITED, HOSTED, OR BEEN ACTIVE IN THE COLOMBIA PARTNERSHIP NETWORK IS WELCOME TO SHARE THEIR STORY IN THE COLOMBIA PARTNERSHIP 30 YEAR ANNIVERSARY MEMORY BOOK!

- 2 page limit - including any pictures
- Due date: August 31st
- Send your histories to your church liaison to the Network or Megan Worcester - miworcester@gmail.com

SAVE THE DATE!

- Celebration in Barranquilla - June 18-22, 2026 (including travel dates)
- Celebration in Dayton - July 9-11, 2026

JOHN 17:21

The **Colombia Partnership Network** of Presbytery of the Miami Valley will celebrate the 30th anniversary of the partnership in 2026. The network is asking everyone who has been involved with the partnership to contribute to a memory book. The deadline to submit contributions is **August 31, 2025**.

Send contributions to **Megan Worcester** at miworcester@gmail.com or give to your church's Colombia Partnership liaison.

The PMV Delegation to the Presbyterian Youth Triennium



July 28-31 the **Presbyterian Youth Triennium** welcomed thousands of high school age youth and their adult youth workers to Louisville, Kentucky for four days of worship, recreation, bible study, outreach, and faith formation all around the theme of "As If We Were Dreaming."

We are grateful to these youth participants and adult advisors from Presbytery of the Miami Valley who attended this exciting PC(USA) national event.

Youth Participants

Jaden Griffith, Southminster
Lillian Gordon, Corinth
Madilyn Goodpaster, Corinth
Trinity Flanigan, Corinth
Bryson Fears, Oxford
Eric Staley, Oxford
Joseph Kretschmer, Oxford

Noel Albarran, Oxford
Jesse Troy, Oxford

Adult Advisors

Marc van Bulck, Oxford
Candace Crist, Oxford
Adriana Gonzalez, Colombia
Cynthia Holder Rich, Corinth

Help PDA Respond to Texas Flooding



Presbyterian Disaster Assistance is coordinating a response with the Synod of the Sun Partnership for Disaster Recovery and Mission Presbytery following flash flooding in the Texas Hill Country that resulted in more than 100 lives lost. The response includes support for Mission Presbytery staff and volunteers, material aid such as flood buckets, and

more. Recovery work is ongoing, and assessment of the long-term needs is just beginning.

Presbyterians are urged to **GIVE, ACT, and PRAY** to assist victims of this disaster.

► Find out how you can help at tinyurl.com/PDATexas